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For : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MANUALLY SELECTING,
DISPLAYING, AND REPOSITIONING DIMENSIONS OF A PART
MODEL

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, § 1.97-1.98,
Applicants hereby call the following information to the Examiner's attention:

In an Office Action dated February 29, 2000, in parent application No. 09/034,356
(which will issue on July 3, 2001 as U.S. Patent No. 6,256,595), the following documents
were cited:

U.S. Patent No. 4,855,939 to FITZGERALD, Jr. et al., issued on August 8, 1989;

U.S. Patent No. 5,548,707 to LONEGRO et al., issued on August 20, 1996;

U.S. Patent No. 5,729,750 to ISHIDA, issued on March 17, 1998;

U.S. Patent No. 5,771,044 to CRAGUN et al., issued on June 23, 1998;

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U.S. Patent No. 5,929,856 to LONEGRO et al., issued on July 27, 1999; and

U.S. Patent No. 6,025,846 to CHUDLEY, issued on February 15, 2000.

In an Information Disclosure Statement filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 4, 1998 in the same parent application, the following documents were cited:

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/031,666, filed on February 27, 1998, entitled "Apparatus and Method for Transferring and Editing Sheet Metal Part Data";

U.S. Patent Application No. 08/700,671 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,971,589 to HAZAMA et al., issued on October 26, 1999), filed on July 31, 1996, entitled "Apparatus and Method for Managing and Distributing Design and Manufacturing Information Throughout a Sheet Metal Production Facility";

U.S. Patent Application No. 08/690,671 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,886,897 to HAZAMA et al., issued on March 23, 1999), filed on July 31, 1996, entitled "Apparatus and Method for Managing and Distributing Design and Manufacturing Information Throughout a Sheet Metal Production Facility";

U.S. Patent Application No. 08/688,860 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,828,575 to SAKAI, issued on October 27, 1998), filed on July 31, 1996, entitled "Apparatus and Method for Managing and Distributing Design and Manufacturing Information Throughout a Sheet Metal Production Facility"; and

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U.S. Patent Application No. 08/690,084 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,864,482 to HAZAMA et al., issued on January 26, 1999), filed on July 31, 1996, entitled "Apparatus and Method for Managing and Distributing Design and Manufacturing Information Throughout a Sheet Metal Production Facility".

Applicants note that copies of the documents cited in the Office Action in the parent application were supplied by the Examiner. Accordingly, copies of these documents are not enclosed herewith. However, the documents cited in the above-mentioned Information Disclosure Statement were not previously submitted. Therefore, copies of the pending application and patent documents are attached hereto.

For the convenience of the Examiner, a copy of each document cited in the parent application is listed on the attached PTO-1449 form. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider each cited document and to indicate such consideration by appropriately initialing the enclosed PTO-1449 form and returning a copy of the initialed form with the next communication.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the Merits has not issued in the instant application. However, if an Office Action on the Merits has issued, and is crossing this statement in the mail, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for the consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p), to be charged to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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